



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of the National Day of Prayer

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer was created in 1953 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress, and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer was permanently designated as the first Thursday of May each year, when the law was amended and signed by President Ronald Reagan in 1988; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer is observed by various levels of government (local, state and federal) from sunrise in Maine to sunset in Hawai'i, and unites Americans from all socio-economic, political and ethnic backgrounds in prayer; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer is celebrated with gatherings at state capitols, county court houses, and on the steps of city halls across America; and

WHEREAS, the National Day of Prayer brings together over two million people annually throughout the United States with more than 30,000 observances that have been organized by approximately 40,000 volunteers;

NOW, THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and **I, BRIAN SCHATZ**, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 3, 2012 as

“NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER”

in Hawai'i and recognize the National Day of Prayer Task Force for coordinating observance events in the Aloha State.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fifth day of April, 2012.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i